BELDING, MICHIGAN, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 19, 1918.

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM OUR KHAKI-

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CLAD SOLDIERS

MISSIVES WHICH WE ALL LIKE
TO READ, FROM MEN WHO
ARE TO SAVE THE NATION.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Madden received a letter last week from their son, Lyle, who is in France, telling them that he had been wansferred to Hesdquarters department and is now acting as mounted orderly for Gen. Covell and staff. The following is another letter received by them on June 12:

Somewhere in France, May 20, 1918
Dear Mother and Father:

As I have a few minutes to spare I thought I would write a few lines to the class of 1910.

A pretty wedding took place Sunday, June 16, at the country home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Geo. Richer, when Miss Elizabeth Bonnetta, of this place and Leo Tower of Belding were united in marriage, Rev. L. E. Price performing the ceremony.

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Well, I suppose you are wondering why I do not write very often? But if you were over here and were as busy as I am you would not have time to write. We are now up where we see and hear lots of noise and funny things. They are shelling most of the time and I have seen several battles in the air and shooting at scout planes, but they don't have any luck on getting through.

I have had a lot of fellows tell me about being under fire but they cannot or anyone else undestand unless they have had the experience and it is wonderful.

But there are lots of things that

of interest this far. Here we again the state medical guards and the navy changed roads going on the Atlantic The age limits for doctors in the changed roads going on the Atlantic Goast Line straight east across Tennessee. We passed through the very heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, went through one tunnel which was at least seven or eight miles, for it at least seven or eight miles, for it took 11 minutes to pass the length of it. All lights were turned on and windows closed all the way through the mountains. On the east side of a few minutes to let us get a view of the country; were were on an eleva-tion of one mile. We obtained a grand view of the country for 40 miles in all directions and even saw the smoke of a city which we were told was Charle ton, S. C., 61 miles away. The mountains from there on kept getting lower as we neared the southwest corner of South Crolina and were covered with lime stalactiles, which resembled icicles. The sights were grand. We were in South Carolina only about 30 minutes as we only crossed the lower corner. Then we passed into Kentucky and here the real sights began. Soil as red as blood; men plowing with oxen and old single disc plows or small wooden ones and only going about two inches deep. In fact I did not see a real

blacks. Then we began to see cotton and tobacco fields, of hundreds and and tobacco fields, of hundreds and hundreds of acres with negroes hoeing them. At some ranches there were as many as 50 negroes all hoeing at once and the ranch owner sitting by in his fine clothes watching them. From the time we entered Georgia till we passed out of it we did not see a fence of any sort, not even a railroad fence. Mules and pigs all along the tracks and no fences at all. The only real large city we hit in Georgia was Atlanta, the capital city and this was some city, 750,000; the railroads are all elevated. Here we again transferred to another road, From the time we entered Georgia till we passed out of it we did not see a fence of any sort, not even a railroad fence. Mules and pigs all along the tracks and no fences at all.

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LEO TOWER, WELL KNOWN LOCAL MAN TAKES BRIDE

Dear Folks at Home:

Arrived here all o. k. at 9:20 a. m. today; so tired, I am nearly dead; like the place pretty well what I have seen of it. Now I will tell you about my trip. We left Columbus at 3:13 Sunday p. m. on the Big Four from the Union depot and went to Cincinnati and transferred to the Queen & Crescent to Delton, Tenn. Not much

surgeon general may be compelled to call for 15,000 more of the medical profession to take commissions for active service overseas.

the long tunnel the train stopped for the Ionia county committee on meda few minutes to let us get a view of ical defense who attended this meeting.. Dr. William Gorgas, surgeon-general of the U. S. army, at Wash-ington, presided at all of the meet-

Three surgeons from the British army spoke several times, as did also two surgeons from the French army and one from the Italian army. They also addressed several patriotic meetings in the Auditorium theater and

There were about 15,000 medical men from the 48 states and Alaska attending the convention,

"Y" Boys Met Again.
Earl Richardson's class of Y. M.
C. A. boys met at the home of Albert
Stanton Monday night. There were deep. In fact I did not see a real job of plowing after I left Ohio. We had not gone far in Kentucky before we began to see razor backs, scores and scores of them, and nigger shacks of logs with so many kids it looked like a reform school for the blacks. Then we began to see cotton bracks. Then we began to see cotton before the last meeting of the boys for a month as they will dispense with their regular weekly meetings for a RINGTON GAVE REC.

June12-19-26

Forgotten



Aug. 25-Congregational

Other dates may be added later on.
Owing to the fact that the pulpits in the Congregational and Church of Christ churches are at present, not filled, the dates assigned to these churches will be filled by whatever man is filling the pulpit in that certain church that date.

Limited Service Men Wanted. County Clerk George W. Moulton was in the city yesterday and inform-ed us that he has calls for a number of men who were classified for limited service, for work in the govern-mental lumber and timber work at Vancouver, Wash., and that any one of the men placed in the limited serand placed in the service. Any young man in this class who wants to get some good experience and still at the same time, see a great deal of the country, better see the county clerk at once.

Are Attending G. A. R. Meet.
Mrs. D. C. Crawford, Mrs. Mary E.
H. Coville, Jake Wise, Jas. Cramer
and others from this city left here this morning for Saginaw to attend the state convention of the G. A. R. Mrs. George Phillips is also in the party as a delegate from the local Daughters of Veterans society,

RINGTON GAVE RECITAL

Notice.

The governing board of the Alvah
N. Belding public library requests
the public to hand in to the librarian,
Mrs. Mary S. Barnes, or to any mem
ber of the governing board, lists of
books that they would like to see
placed in the library. These lists
should be handed in before July 1,
1918.

Concert at M. E. Church.
The committee in charge of the
Crandall Concert Co, engagement at
the M. E. church for this coming Fri
day night, June 21, has arranged a
splendid program for the audience
that evening. The company comes
highly recommended as pronounced
artists in their work and will undoubtedly be greeted with a fulls
house

F. & A. M. Contribute.

The Red Cross treasury has just received a check from the local lodge of Masons in the amount of \$25 as their contribution to the work being carried on by the Red Cross society. It is the largest amount contributed

TRAIN SERVICE

DIVISIONS TO BE GIVEN FOUR uary 1.

The sale of certificates under the past year TICALLY SAME SERVICE

vice class could volunteer for a few days to come, but that in case the quota was not filled when it should be, that the men would be drafted and placed in the service quette have been working on a new time table which will carry that ex-tra number of trains over the two divisions on which this city happens

Pere Marquette railroad are approved and finally put into effect, the tary McAdoo said: company will, in ddition to the six "Expenditures of the government trains which it has on the two di- as nearly as can be estimated, will vision lines going through this city at the present time, put on an early train up from Ionia in the morning. This train will run up to Big Rapids, by way of Howard City and return here in the afterneon. The time that these trains run on last year before they were taken off will be perhaps somewhere about the same as the time on which they will run in the

time on which they will run in the future.

In addition to the two trains on the Ionia-Big Rapids division there is planned to put the two flyers on the Grand Rapids-Saginaw division which will make this city a total of four more trains extra each day or a total of ten trains daily. The new service will, if placed on Monday, give to the people on the Pere Marquette system about the same passenger train service as they had established last year before a shortage of coal

train service as they had established last year before a shortage of coal and other causes compelled the number of trains to be reduced.

The plans as outlined above have already been approved by the officials of the Pere Marquette and were the matter up to them, it would be a sure thing that the trains would be put on, but as it stands at present it is necessary to get the approval of Director General McAdoo and other officials of the national railroad governing board and have them put their "O. K." on all time schedules, additional trains, etc.

Local people earnestly hope that the added train service will be established.

Frank Smith and family visited on Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Nora Cassinor near Rockford.

The Ladies' Social circle will meet with Mrs. Byron Brown on Wednesday afternoon with Bohemian lunch. A cordial invitation to all members of the circle and those interested in the work of the church and society.

Fred Holmes, a former local boy who for the past few years has made his home at Canton, O., which place is his headquarters while he is engaged as a traveler for the silk company, arrived in the city Tuesday morning and is visiting relatives and friends for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Eddy of Petostey, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Eddy of High street. They

Notice Home Guards.
The Home Guards will meet fuesday night, June 25 at 7:30 o'charp. Let every member of organization be present.

ces along with the new arrival, are maturity periods, none exceeding four

In addition, an quantity—perhaps \$2,000,000,000—of tax certificates will be issued during the summer for use in paying taxes

a year from now.

Announcement of this program indicates that the fourth Liberty loan will be for at least \$6,000,000,000, the exact amount depending on govern-ment expenditures the next few months. The treasury already has estimated these roughly at \$12,000,000,000 between July 1 and next Jan-

plan in effect during the past year AS LAST FALL.

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The future financial program was announced at this time to enable banks to prepare for government de-mands. In a letter to the president If the plans of the officials of the of each of the 7,500 national and 20,000 state institutions, Secrethe tary McAdoo said:
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require sale of certificates of in-debtedness up to the first of November, 1918, aggregating approximately \$6,000,000,000.

"This would involve the issue every two weeks of about \$750,000,000 of cert ficates, substantially similar in character to those issued prior to the hird Liberty loan, except that they will have various maturities not ex-

ADDITIONAL LQCALS Raymond Gleason of Grand Rap-

ids spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gleason. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Elsby entertained Mr. and Mrs. Don Elsby and A. W. Elsby of Rockford Sunday.

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MOTHERS TAKE ADVAN-TAGE. BABY CLINIC JUNE 22

The third baby clinic will be held in the city hall Saturday, June 22, from 2 to 4 and it is desired that all mothers of babies under two years of age bring them and have them weighed.

ed.

If your baby is not gaining as it should, bring him to the clinic and get the advice of the attending nurses. Possibly the food is at fault or he needs medical attention. These clinics are free and are held to help mothers settle these important problems that are puzzling them.

We must all do our part in saving the babies for they re the United States of tomorrow. Let us do what we can to save our own and help other anxious mothers.

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There will be nurses and a physician

ments on the drives in various townships which start on Thursday, June 20 and which are being run at the instance of eight farmers living in territory covered by the Banner News. The people whose names anpear on the bottom of these advertisements are putting forth every effort to further the success of this if ever in the history of the local drive for the sale of War Savinga achools, a better lot of amateur acstamps and are not selfish in their tors and actresses ever acted in a motives as is clearly evident through the fact that they are putting money into this advertising campaign in orinto this advertising campaign in order that the right and favorable impress on may be made upon the people living around throughout the country and that the sale of war say.

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ple living around throughout the country and that the sale of war savings stamps wilk like all other subscriptions floated by the government go "over the top" and far past the quota set by the officials of the National War Savings committee.

The names of these farmers who are running and paying for these advertisements are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Aubill, Palmer Bros., Jerry Spaulding, Clark Howard, Joseph and Theodore Alberts, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beardslee and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beardslee and Mr. and Mrs. George Ravell. Lincoln's store also runs one of these advertisements.

More advertising will appear nevt week to help in the War Savings Stamp drive. Read them and buy stamps to the limit.

Showed exceptional talent over other members of the class.

The play was timely and a patriotic lesson and the various points made to stand out as pre-eminently inspiring were always loudly applauded by the most appreciative audience.

The cast of characters in the play was as follows:

Mr. LaFohl, his wife—Elma Jacoby.

Brooks.

Ethel LaFohl, his daughter—Myrtle Treat.

Lillian Carmen, Jack's fiancee—Vivian Steele.

Tom Bradley, Ethel's patriot—Glenn Lambertson.

Mr. Metz, an American-German—Martin Davis.

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F. P. A. Members.

Notice—As our by-laws have been lost for over three months and being unable to govern asid association, you are hereby notified to call on Mrs. Ivah Mumby, 816 Morton ave. treasurer, with receipt of membership fees due you after May 22, 1918.

After 30 days what remains in the treasury will be turned over to the Red Cross or otherwise legally disposed of.

Jas. E. Souders, Pres.

Martin Davis.

Mary Metz, his grandaughter—Irene Dorr.

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GRADUATES HAVE BUSY WEEK OF COM-MENCEMENT WORK

BACCALAUREATE SERMON DE-LIVERED BY REV. FR. KLICH TIMELY, PATRIOTIC ADVICE.

The past week has been a momen tous one for every one of the high school graduating class of 1918, for there has been something doing very there has been two or three things

and other citizens, various advertisements which thoroughly explain every phase of the war savings stamp drive proposition and it must be said by the publishers of the Banner-News whom we approached on the matter of paying for one of these advertisements, registered a kick or refused to help the good and great cause along by paying for the advertisements.

That is why if you will turn to page four of this issue you will see a striking advertisement paid for and run at the request of the business men of Orleans, as follows: Frank Hill, Al Sherwood, Warren Crane, A. Rasmussen, Jay Olmsted, Easton Independent Telephone Co., M. Y. Birdsall, Alex. Robertson and Wardrop & Robertson, every one of two give their all for their country's cause, but who in their particular case, being unable to do that, gladly and willingly offered to give the war savings drive all the publication on the drives in various townships which start on Thursday, June ships which start on Thursday, June did the proposition and it must be said by the proposition and it must be said by the publishers of the Banner-News this week are eight more advertisements on the drives in various townships which start on Thursday, June did the publication to do the dissatisfied with the record made.

The priest took for his text the subject, "Know Thy Work and Do It", taken from one of the works of Thomature was one vast laboratory and that the chances ahead were great for the accomplishment of the good and great things in life which one sets out to do. He pointed out the achievements of Edison, Newton and others and told these things had only been accomplished by strict application to duty and ideals. He lauded the soldiers, sailors, Red Cross nurses, army physicians and everyone working for the class and also pointed out the pitfalls before them as they go through life. He also gave them good advice on how to meet advertise to the class was termed by many as being one of the best, if not the best baccalaureate sermon tellivered to a local gradauting class in

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